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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2004 for two months from January 15, 2005 to March 15, 2005.

A check including the amount of \$425.00 for the extension of time under 37 C.F.R. \$1.17(a), which includes the fee for two extra independent claims, is enclosed. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 16-0607.

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